

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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Randy W. WESTLUND et al.)	Group Art Unit: 3766
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Application No.: 10/617,881)	Examiner: Kennedy Schaetzle
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Filed: July 14, 2003)	Confirmation No.: 3418
)	
For: SEAL FOR USE WITH MEDICAL)	
DEVICE AND SYSTEM)	

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Sir:

AMENDMENT

This submission is filed together with a Request for Continued Examination ("RCE"). In reply to the final Office Action mailed July 11, 2008, and the Advisory Action mailed December 4, 2008, and further to the Notice of Appeal filed on January 9, 2009, the period for response to which extends to August 10, 2009 (August 9, 2009, being a Sunday), by a petition for a five-month extension of time filed herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks follow the amendment section of this paper.